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Preparing children for success in life



NEWSLETTER: 17 March 2011

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Next meeting is on Monday 21st March at 7.30pm. Minutes etc. sent home today for Board members.

SCHOOL CAMP:

The Dansey's Pass setting proved very interesting. The children worked happily together. Lots of learning happened. Thank you to the whole school community who contributed to a very successful camp.

Thank you to those who cooked, transported, donated food, packed cars and trailers and generally helped in all sorts of ways. A big thanks to Mrs. Nooy for having the main idea and for organising the details. Thank you to the children, all of whom "did their best" which was often better than they themselves, or us as adults, thought they could do.

MESSAGES:

Please remember to phone the school if your child is unwell or not coming to school for any reason. If arrangements are different in the afternoon please phone the school rather than texting. For some reason the texts are not very reliable lately, arriving hours or even the following day. The answer phone is checked regularly during the day for messages and daily at 3pm.

LIBRARY:

The children will visit the Library every Friday morning to return and take out new books for the week. Children wanting access during the week can arrange this with their class teachers.

BUS PASSENGER: T 1 Wk 6

North Bus – Jade Willcox.

South Bus – Lucy Avery.

NEWSLETTER DRAWS:

March 3rd Avery Family & Meyer Family.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER - CORN COBS:

Please order by ringing Eileen at the school office as soon as possible. Phone 03 6895587. (Corn cobs freeze well).

ROOM TWO:

Being on camp with the class was very enjoyable. (A good sign for ideas I have in mind which will need the support of parents and the class later in the year).

Children have been doing some tests this week. Miss Blissett has started to teach the class Level One German. She has a good background in this language. We need all the children to work hard on basic number skills and for those who have them, on how to use them well. The same goes for reading and writing.

J. Palmer.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK: T1 Wk 4

Zoe McKinley.

SUPER SPELLERS: T1 Wk 4

Briana Cain, Jessika Williams, Angus Wilson, Morgan Burrows, Ethan Finch.

SMART MATHS: T 1 Wk 4

Shya Cartwright, Lucy Avery, Angus Wilson, Edward Campbell, Rogan Joe Sloan, Briana Cain.

CAMP STORIES - Room 2

On Wednesday we went to camp. The whole school went to camp at Dansey's Pass and when we got there we sorted out our own stuff and six boys helped Mrs. Nooy to set the tent up. The other people put their things away and sorted out where they were sleeping. Then the Teachers, Mrs Nooy and Mr. Palmer had to sort out two groups. One group went to Rattling Rocks and the second group went gold panning at the river.

By: Ethan Finch.

On Wednesday the whole school went to Danseys Pass for a school camp. We went gold panning and swimming. Miss Blissett and Andrea found some small specks of gold in their pans. I really enjoyed panning for gold, even though I didn't find any.

The next day we went to Elephant Rocks, it was a long walk to the Chronicles of Narnia set. We saw some small whale bones encased in the rock. Later we went to Vanished World where we saw fossils, dug for fossils and had a lot of fun. When we got back to camp we had a swim.

Keeley, Edward, Cameron, Briana, Miss Blissett and I went to swim in a deep hole. We learnt survival swimming. We had to link arms to keep each other warm. Everyone was cold and turning blue. Miss Blissett jumped into the water too.

By: Angus Wilson.

On Wednesday morning the whole school went on school camp to Dansey's Pass. Half the school went on one bus and the other half went on the other bus. Apart from Jacob, Nick, Krish, Brett, Rogan Joe, Jackson, Taylor and Jade. On the way we went to a Maori Rock Art site. It had a fence so people couldn't get in. Then we continued down the road. On a hill in giant letters made of hedges, it said ALTAVADY (name of the farm). Then we went to camp. Everyone had a cabin except for Lockie, Ethan, Cameron, Angus Morgan and I. Our teacher was Mrs. Nooy. After we put up the tent and did our bedding we had lunch. After lunch Lockie, Cameron, Morgan, Ethan and I played poker with Cameron's poker chips and my cards. Ethan left after a while and I won! Then we went to the playground. Cameron and I went on the spinning see saw. It was awesome and spun really fast. Then we went on the spinning top and Tony spun us really fast. We kept on playing until tea time and started talking about the bonfire. We saw the man who owned the place snapping sticks for the bonfire. For pudding we had cake, ice cream and fruit salad. Then we played some more before we got ready for the bonfire. At the bonfire we started singing the Happy Song, the Bumble Bee song and the Adams Family.

By: Edward Campbell.

WAIMATE MAIN SCHOOL TRAIL BIKE FUNDRAISER:

Sunday 10th April. Entry on the day. 40km loops with intermediate and pee wee tracks. \$40 per adult \$10 per junior (15 years and under). Registrations from 8am (Track open at 9am). Further information available from Karl (0274916333) Adam (027 4288143). Located at Pentland Hills Road, Waihaorunga, Waimate. (Signposted from Waimate Main Street). Spark arrestors, helmets and boots compulsory.

Waimate Main School.

JUNIOR SOCCER:

If your child is interested in playing soccer please contact Rochelle 6897110 for details.

ROOM ONE

Everyone who went to camp is busy writing recount stories. To ensure we are doing our best work, these should be ready for publication in next week's newsletter. The children really enjoyed flicking through the 600 plus photographs we have from camp and it was a delight to watch their faces as they viewed themselves at a particular activity and recalled their experiences. Surprisingly, everyone has settled back into their routines for learning with ease.

We have welcome Alfonso Laguna (Year 2) to our class this week. He joined us on Monday and lives down the Makikihi-Hunter Road. We hope you and your family enjoy your time at Makikihi School.

Karen Nooy

Alfonso, Rowan and Brett busy writing.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK ~ T1 WK 4

Rowan Trainor ~ Wonderful effort for all learning

SPECIAL AWARDS ~ T1 WK 4

Molly Gould & Taylor Kirk ~ Remarkable Reading

CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK:

Monday 21st	B.O.T. Mtg.
Tuesday 22nd	Technology
Wednesday 23rd	Music – Mr. Botting
Thursday 24th	Jonathan – Lunchtime Sport
Friday 25th	Assembly

John, Karen, Susanne, Andrea and Eileen.

KINDLING WOOD FOR SALE:

Large Bags \$7.00 per bag.
Orders to 03 6889063 or 03 6861858.
Timaru Titans Gymnastics Club.

WANTED:

Cleaner required for two to three hours per week. Hunter district.
Phone 6895772 if you are interested.

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Have a good weekend.
John, Karen, Susanne, Andrea & Eileen.

FAMILY NAME:.....
I have received and read the Newsletter dated
17th March 2011.

PARENT
SIGNATURE:.....



